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I Cannot but take notice of that ridiculous Practice (which I have ſo often condemned) that moſt of our Colonies have fallen into, of erecting Funds, and raiſing Money by Bills of Credit for almoſt all the neceſſities of their Government. It would ſeem, as if they borrowed this Practice from their Mother Country; but as their Funds have but a *narrow* Foundation, they ſoon come to diſcredit, and are worth but very little ready money in either of our Colonies: Even in *New England* it ſelf, their Bills of Credit of *16 Shil.* value, will not this Day purchaſe *5 Shil.* in ready money, tho' that Colony has certainly a more extenſive Foundation, than any other of our Colonies: And from this alone one may eaſily ſee the Danger and the Diſadvantage of not raiſing, every Year, money enough for defraying the Publick Charge of that Year; for, though our Friends have here at home ſtill kept up their Credit pretty well, yet that is owing entirely to the vaſt large Foundation they are built on, and the many Years of Peace we have lately Enjoyed; but if we ſhould be obliged to enter into ſuch an expenſive War, as the laſt real War we were engaged in, the Fatality of this Politick, ſo much practiſed by our Anceſtors, would ſoon appear and it would ſoon be felt, that even the vaſt revenues of the People of *Great Britain* would hardly be ſufficient to ſupport the annual Charge of the War, and pay the yearly Intereſt of thoſe Debts, which ill judging Politicians charged upon Poſterity.

It is ridiculous to ſay, that the People are not able to bear the annual Expence of what is, in that Year, abſolutely neceſſary for their Safety; for where there is a real abſolute Neceſſity, they are but weak Governors, who cannot make that Neceſſity clearly appear to the People; and where it is made clearly appear, it is certain that every Man will readily give Yearly one half, may three fourths of the Revenue he Poſſeſſes, in order to preſerve to himſelf the immediate Enjoyment of the other half, or the other fourth, and the peaceable enjoyment of the whole to his Poſterity; unleſs ſuch a ſelfiſh Frenzy ſhould poſſeſs a whole People as formerly poſſeſſed the People of *Conſtantinople*, who when they were threatened with an immediate Siege from the Turks, refuſed money to their Government, to enable it to Provide for the defence of that Capital City; whereby the People, and they all poſſeſſed, became a prey to that barbarous Enemy: but we may depend on it, that this Frenzy of the People proceeded from the weakneſs of their Governours, and from the ill uſe they had made of the money formerly given to them.

It is therefore the firſt Duty of the Repreſentatives of the People, to enquire narrowly into the Neceſſity of what is asked for; and, when they clearly perceive the Neceſſity, to give with a liberal Hand, and to raiſe within the Year, whatever is neceſſary for the Service of the Year in ſuch a Manner, as that every Subject may contribute Yearly according to the Revenue he poſſeſſes, let that Revenue proceed from what it will; and their next Duty is to enquire as narrowly into the Diſpoſal of that Money, and to ſee that every *Shill.* of it has been juſtly and properly laid out, for thoſe purpoſes for which it was intended: but for any Man to pretend to eaſe his Contemporaries by throwing Loads upon his Poſterity is either downright Madneſs, becauſe as I have ſaid before, no Man can tell what Neceſſities the State may labour under Seven Years hence, or Seventy Years hence; no Man can ſay, but that Poſterity, or the People at that time, may be as poor and under a Neceſſity of raiſing as much Money Yearly, as at preſent; or it muſt be downright Villany, in order to prevent too nice a Scrutiny into the Neceſſities pretended, or into the Diſpoſal of the Money ſo raiſed; for it is the ſame Caſe with the People of every Country, as it is generally with young Heirs, or Perſons under age: they may much more eaſily be prevailed on to give their Bond or Obligation than they can be prevailed on to give the ready Money out of their Pockets.

For this Reaſon I cannot enough admire the Wiſdom of that Inſtruction given by His Majeſty to the Governour of *New-England*, forbidding him to conſent to any long Extenſion of their Funds. I hope there is ſuch an Inſtruction given to every Governor and I wiſh it were given ſo, as to prevent the Raiſing of any new, or the Extending of any old Fund even for one Year; but I am ſure His Majeſty will never give any Inſtruction, which may tend in the leaſt to prevent, or Interrupt the Repreſentatives of the People in their Inquiries into the Neceſſity of what is asked for, or into the Diſpoſal of what has been, or ſhall be given.

The Speech of his Excellency JONATHAN BELCHER *Eſq; to the General Aſſembly of the* Maſſachuſets-Bay *on* Friday *November* 22, 1734.

Gentlemen of the Council and Houſe of Repreſentatives.

SInce I have endeavour'd to bring this Seaſon to a Seſſion of the moſt Leiſure and Convenience to all the Members of this Court, I hope you will now Diligently apply your ſelves to thoſe Things that may be neceſſary for his Majeſty's Honour and Service, and for the laſting Welfare of this Province.

If you can project any thing that may encourage the Cultivation of our Lands in raiſing ſuch Commodities as are not the common Growth of our Mother Country, it will render us very acceptable to His Majeſty, and to his Kingdoms, to whom (under GOD) we muſt always look for Protection; and as I have mention'd, once and again, to give a large Bounty, for ſome reaſonable Term of Years, on Naval Stores, and on ſome other Things that require much Labour, I ſtill think wou'd be a Point of Wiſdom in the Legiſlature, becauſe it would encreaſe our Manufactures, which with a wiſe Frugality, wou'd gradually leſſen the heavy Ballance of Trade, that grows every Year, againſt us, and does of Courſe exhauſt the Silver and Gold that ſhou'd remain for a Medium of Commerce, and of which our Fathers took an early and wiſe Care, and thereby avoided the Difficulties we labour under, in what now paſſes for Money.

Of late it is moſt certainly apparent to every wiſe Obſerver, that Emiſſions of Bills of what ſort ſoever, have ſuch

ſunk the Value of all Bills that were extant before, more or leſs, in Proportion to the Sums that have been Emitted, and a plain Proof of this we have had the laſt Year, upon an Emiſſion of this Government's of about *Eighty Thouſand Pounds*, and of a much greater Sum by a Number of private Perſons, and of ſtill more by the Neighbouring Colonies; which in the Courſe of the Year have ſunk the Value of our Province Bills, at leaſt a fifth part, and altho' this is a very general Wrong to the Eſtates and Properties of the whole Province, and very much affects thoſe that Trade hither from *Great-Britain*, yet the Loſs has more heavily fallen upon ſuch as are the moſt carefull and induſtrious to live within themſelves, upon Widows and Orphans, upon the Miniſters of Religion, and upon ſuch as ſpend their Time to ſerve the Publick; but thoſe who live by Credit have conſtantly reap'd the unjuſt advantage of ſuch Emiſſions, and while the Government iſſue their Bills on ſo ſlender a Foundation, it will naturally put People upon endeavouring to ly in Debt, and be a great Diſcouragement to Induſtry: beſides it can never be conſiſtent with the Rules of Honeſty and Juſtice to Emit Bills of any other kind than ſuch as will truely and immediately Command, the Value they are intended to paſs for between Man and Man; ſo that Bills ſet at the Periods of 3,6 and 10 Years, will always be a Deluſion, and carry a Diſcount according to their Diſtances of being paid off in Silver and Gold, and yet private Perſons will be able by ſuch ſort of Bills to oppreſs their Neighbours, and to make great Advantages to themſelves: and I wiſh the Government had no reaſon to fear that this will be the Conſequence of what is called the *private Bank* or *Merchant's Notes*, of which it was ſaid as an Inducement to perſwade People into an Opinion of their being iſſued, that it was to prevent the depreciating of the Province Bills, and to increaſe the Medium of Trade; but I believe *Gentlemen*, you will think it Time to enquire into the Nature and Circumſtances of that extraordinary Affair, and how different a turn it has taken, for that the Bills of this Government were never brought to ſo low an Ebb as at preſent, nor are thoſe Notes of Hand (as they are ſometimes called) any Eaſe at this Day to the Trading Part of this Proince.

Gentlemen,

While every wiſe and thinking Member of the Community ſees the Deſtruction brought upon our Trade and Eſtates by theſe Means, it will doubtleſs well become this Aſſembly, to attempt ſome reaſonable Expedient to extricate this People out of their preſent ruinous Circumſtances, and ſuch I ſhou'd think wou'd be the calling in, and paying off all Bills whatſoever but thoſe of this Province, and for the future to iſſue none but what ſhall be redeemable at the ſhorteſt Periods that conveniently may be by Silver and Gold, and to paſs ſome good Law to forbid the Currency of all others for the future: This *Gentlemen*, may be thought difficult, but where the Diſeaſe is grown to the Heighth it now is with us, it ſeems high Time to apply a Remedy.

I am almoſt aſhamed to mention, that what was ordain'd by our Laws forty Years ago, as a payment for any publick Service to the Value of *Twenty Shillings* is now reduc'd to leſs than *Six Shillings*, how unrighteous will it then be for the Government thus to go on, and ought they not to make their Grants to all Perſons, for Services done to the Province in Proportion to the Sinking of their Bills. This Affair of the Bills of Credit is of the greateſt Importance to us, and I have therefore thought myſelf obliged from the Duty of my Station to be thus particular, and earneſtly to recommend it to your wiſe and ſerious Deliberation.

The unſettled State of Affairs in *Europe* I hope will put us all upon looking into the defenceleſs Condition of the Province, and to Conſider of the Repair of the ſeveral Forts on our Borders, and whether the Projection of a Line of Block-Houſes on the Frontiers may not be of great Service and Protection, to our expoſed Inhabitants, which I believe may be affected, without the Burthen of a Tax upon the People.

(*The remaining part in the next.*)

For the Benefit of Mr. SALTER,

At the Council-Chamber on Thurſday the 23d Inſtant, will be a Conſort of Vocal and Inſtrumental Muſick. Tickets to be had at Mr. *Stephen Bedon's* and at Mr. *Roper's* in Broadſtreet, at 40 s. each.

CUSTOM-HOUSE, Charleſtown,

Entred inwards.

Snow Eagle, Nath Potter from Rhode-Iſland.
Brigt. Lake, John Pharour from Barbados.
Sloop Experiment, Laurence Pyper from Philadelphia.

Entred out.

Brigt. Whately, Thomas Price for Lizbon.
—— Prince Frederick, Joſ. Wilſon for Plymouth.
—— Hawkins, Wm. Perryman for Briſtol.
Ship Oglethorp, James McDowall for Jamaica.
—— Mary & Ann, Fr Walmsley for London.
—— Prince William, John Pick for London.
Snow Wallpole, Daniel Hubberd for Dover.
—— Mary Robert Pollixſen for London.
Sloop Mary, Joſeph Hinton for Barbados.
—— Mary, Timothy Carthy for St. Chriſtophers.

Clear'd for Departure.

Ship Mary Ann, Tho. Shubrick to London.
Sloop Elizabeth & Sarah, Wm Hilton to Providence.

EXPORTED from this PLACE ſince *Nov.* 1, 1734.

Rice 13982 Barrels, & 658 Baggs. Pitch 2999. Tar 1071. Turpentine 249. Whereof 5100 Barrels of Rice and 626 Bags for FOREIGN MARKETS.

PRICES of the following GOODS.

Rice per Hund	53 s.	Middl. ——	4 l. 10 s.
Pitch per Barrel	40 s.	White ——	6 l.
Tar per Bar.	35 s.	Milk Biſket ——	10 l.
Turpentine per C.	15 s.	Ship Bread ——	3 l. 10 s.
Indian Corn per B.	12 s. 6 d.	Salt per Buſhel	12 s. 6 d.
Skins per Pound	19 s.	Wine per Pipe	100 l.
Staves no Demand.		Barbad. Rum per Hogſh.	15 s.
Flower per Hund	3 l.	Melaſſes per Hogſh.	10 s.
Brown Bread	3 l. 10 s.		

SAMUEL EVELEIGH, Merchant of *Charleſtown*, deſigning to leave this Province in a ſhort time, all perſons indebted to him are hereby advertiz'd, to pay their reſpective Debts by the middle of *February* next, otherwiſe they will be proſecuted at Law by me

CHARLES PINCKNEY.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Beale* & *Cooper* **are making up their Comp.** affairs and all other Accompts, this is again to deſire all ſuch perſons as are indebted to them, to diſcharge the ſame by the 15th of *March* next, or give ſufficient Security within the ſaid time, otherwiſe they will be ſued without further notice, by CH. PINCKNEY.

To be ſold by the ſaid BEALE & COOPER choice Madera Wine, neat red Port at 5 l. *per* Dozen *per* Hamper, new Flower, white, middling and Ship bread, double Beer, old Barbados Rum, N. England Axes, and variety of European and India Goods very reaſonable.

Alexander Tally *gives notice that he deſigns to depart this Province within a Fortnight, and deſires all thoſe indebted to him, to pay their Debts before that time.*

On Friday *the* 3d *of this Inſtant at night was loſt between* Elliot's *Bridge and* Stephen Bedon's, *a Pocket-book with about* 35 l. *in Paper-bills, and ſome notes which are of no Uſe but to the Owner: Whoever has found it, and will be ſo honeſt as to bring it to the Printer hereof, ſhall be ſufficiently rewarded.*

All Perſons indebted to Stephen Bedon of *Charleſtown* are deſired to diſcharge their reſpective Accounts before the firſt day of *March* next, when thoſe who have exceeded 12 months, will without fail be ſued, and all others be obliged to give their bonds if required. Thoſe indebted to him in Comp. with *Samuel Fly*, are deſired to take the ſame notice, and all thoſe to whom he is any ways indebted are likewiſe deſired to adjuſt their accounts with him.

Whereas *Benjamin Savage* **intends to** *go off this Province in* April *next, deſires all Perſons that are Indebted to him & Comp. to diſcharge their Reſpective Debts by the firſt of* March *next, or they will be ſued without further notice; thoſe who have any demands on him, are deſired to call for their payment. N B. To be ſold by ſaid* Benj. Savage & Comp. *ſundry ſorts of European & India Goods, alſo a handſome new two wheel Chaize, and another about one third worn.*

Run away December 27, 1734 **from** *Richard Freeman* a Negro Woman, named Daphne, middle aged, and has loſt one of her lower fore-teeth, ſhe has a great many Scars on her back & one or two on her arm, ſhe had on when ſhe went away a white Negro-cloath Gown. Whoever brings the ſaid Negro Women to me ſhall have 5 l. reward, and any perſon concealing her, may expect to be puniſhed according to Law. RICHARD FREEMAN.

All Persons indebted to William Castell jun. & George Austin *before they enter'd into Partnership, are desired to discharge their Accompts by the 10th of Febr. next, or they will be delivered into the hands of an Attorney, one of them intending to depart this Province in that month. By them is to be sold fine & coarse Whitneys and Ratteens of all Colours, Oznabriggs, yard wide Garlix, Nuns, Hollands, Fabling Diaper & Damasks, Dimitys and Jeans, Castors and Felt hats, Assortments of Iron ware, Carpenters and Joyners Tools, hoes, axes and hatchets, saws and nails of all sorts, sail-cloath, small rigging and bed cords, corks, saddlery and cuttlery ware, refin'd Sugar, Castile soap Flower, Philadelphia Beer, Bottled Cyder, Lime-juice and silver Watches, with sundry other goods at the most reasonable rates.*

All Persons indebted to the Estate of Roger Lowndes *Esq; deceased are desired to pay off their Accounts by the 10th of* February *next to* William Pinckney *or* George Austin *Administrators: And those to whom he was indebted, to bring in their Accounts by the same time regularly attested, that proper measures may be taken for the discharge.*

To be Sold

BY Daniel Crawford in *Broad street*, for ready money, very good Bohea tea at 40 s. the single pound, with a reasonable abatement to those that take a quantity to sell again, also good silk shoes at 50 s. the pair, and Salt at 10 s. the Bushel, with many other useful European and India Goods commonly advertiz'd, at easy rates.

All persons indebted to the said *Daniel Crawford*, for Debts contracted before last *January*, are desired to pay the same before the first of *March*, or they will be sued without further notice.

To be Sold

BY Nath. Potter at his Store at Mr *Wm. Pinckney's*, several *Rhode Island* pacing Horses, Malasses, Cyder, Potatoes, Loaf sugar, Salt and some Apples. The Snow Eagle burthen about 80 Tuns is ready to take in Freight for Holland, Hamburg or London at a reasonable rate. Agree with the said Master on board the said Snow, or at Mr. *Wm. Pinckney's.*

John Laurens Sadler of *Charles-Town* fully purposing to go off the Province some time in *May* next, gives notice to all that are indebted to him, that if they do not discharge their respective Debts by the 25th of next *March*, they shall be sued without further notice: As for those to whom the said *Laurens* is indebted, no doubt is made but that as they are friends they'll come fast enough without Invitation.

Run away from Samuel Todd **the 26th** of Nov. *last an indented Servant named* James Hannah, *a well set swarthy man, speaks good English, had on when he went away an old black coat and breeches, white shirt, olive colour'd wastcoat, old shoes and stockings, old hat & cap: Whoever takes him up and brings him to the said* Todd *at* Wm. Osborn's *House, or to* Jacob Woolford *on the Bay in* Charlestown, *or to the Printer hereof, shall have 20 l. reward, and reasonable Charges.*

Run away also from the said Todd *the 3d of this Inst.* Richard Loan, *an elderly look'd man, broad-fac'd, very yellow by the Jaundice, high nose, thick lips, speaks thick, had on a yellow coat, dirty white shirt, all old clothes. Another named* James Harwood, *well set, fresh colour'd, short black hair and baird, an old hat, light colour'd coat with a cape, an old black wastcoat, old shoes stitch'd on the top: Whoever takes up either or both of the last, and brings them to either of the foresaid persons, or gives certain Intelligence so as they may be taken, shall have 10 l. reward for each and reasonable charges.*

Whereas *Isabella* **Wife of** *Joseph Watson* of *Edisto* Island is eloped from her Husband; these are to forwarn all persons not to trust the said *Isabella* on her Husbands Account, for he will not pay any Debts contracted by her after the publication hereof. Any person entertaining the said *Isabella* may expect to be prosecuted according to Law. Joseph Watson.

On Saturday the 21st of December **last** *was left on* Elliot's *Bridge a Cask, containing some brown Drogget with Trimmings, white sheeting Linnen, hats, shoes & sundry other Goods, to be put in a Periaugger for* Winyaw, *the said Cask was left behind, & nothing heard of it since. Any person that can give any notice of the said Cask to* John Bydon *in Elliot's street* Charlestown, *or to Mr.* Wm. Anderson *at* Winyaw, *so that it may be had again shall have 12 l. reward paid by* John Bydon *or* William Anderson.

To be Sold

VEry good LIME-JUICE, the best that is to be had in Town, at 15 s. the Gallon, by Peter Calvert in the House of Mr. *Shrewsbury* Carpenter on the Bay.

Imported by Capt. *Pick* from *London* and to be sold by James Crokatt, Sundry sorts of European & East-India Goods, also choice good Butter, Herrings, Cheese, Tallow, Irish Potatoes, Feather beds, Chints Bed-Quilts, mould Candles, Clairet, Red Port & Florence-Wine, Sallet-oyl, Pickles, Linseed-oyl & Colours ready ground, Window-glass, Negro Cloaths, Loaf-sugar, Tea, and great choice of China-Ware cheaper than usual, and most other kinds of useful Goods.

And whereas the said Crokatt intends to go off this Province in *March* next, he hereby desires all those indebted to him, to discharge their respective Debts by the first of the said Month: For all such Debts as are not then paid or settled, will be put in Suit. Those who have any Demands on him, are desired to call for their payment.

Just imported and to be sold by *Henning* and *Shute* very good red Oporto, Burgundy, & Renish Wines, in Casks or in Bottles by the Dozen, Barbadoes Rum, in Hogsheads, Hollands, Men & Womens fine Kid Gloves, threads & Tapes of all sorts, new Philadelphia Flower, Butter, Soap & Gammons of Beacon, and sundry other Goods very reasonable.

And whereas the said *Joseph Shute* is entered in Company with the said Capt. *Thomas Henning*, he desires all those that are indebted to him, to pay their respective Debts on or before the first Day of *March* next, otherwise they may expect to be sued according to Law, without further notice. And all those that have any Demands on the said *Jos. Shute* are desired to bring in their Accounts in that time, when they shall be paid.

Run away last Night from *Charles-Town*, two Negro Men named *Bristoll* & *Peter*, having on new blue Plains Jackets and Breeches, and their old white cotton cloaths over them, it's supos'd they are gone towards *Santee*, to the Plantation or Cowpen where Mr. *John Sullivant* Lives. Whoever apprehends and will bring them to Town, shall be sufficiently Rewarded by Richard Hill.

Just imported in the Prince William **from** London *and to be sold by* Peter Horry, *Feather-beds with Blankets, Quilts, Bolsters and Pillows, Bed-blankets, best Arrack in Quart-bottles, a very good second hand one-Horse-Chaise & Furniture, strip'd Duffils, all sorts of Cutlary & Iron-ware, Callicoes, Chillars, Ginghams, Cotton & silk romal handkerchiefs, Hollands and Cambricks, Charryderries, fine & Felt-hats, Mens & Womens Saddles with sundry other Goods, all which he will sell very reasonable; also a small parcel of good Rum and Muscovado Sugar lately imported from* St. Christophers.

The Snow Eagle, *burthen* 130 *Tuns*, John Roberts *Commander, lying at* Stone's *Bridge, will sail for* Boston *in a Months Time at furthest, having one half of her Lading already engag'd: Any person wanting Freight or Passage, may apply to the Captain on board, or to Messrs.* Hutchinson & Grimke *at their Store on the Bay, where there is choice Barbados Citron Water, Rum, Sallet-oyl and sundry sorts of dry Goods to be sold. NB A few indented Servants are to be disposed of on board the said Snow, on very reasonable terms.*

Just imported from London, **in the** *Prince Willam*, Capt. *Pick* and to be sold by *Peter Payne* at his Store over against Mr. *Watson's* in Church-street *Charlestown*, a large Quantity of Mens, Womens & Childrens woosted Hose, and fine silk Mens hose, also fine green Tea in Chests or Canisters, all sorts of double flint-Glasses and Stone ware, Beaver Hatts laced with Gold & Silver, or plain, all sorts of Felt Hatts, Cambricks Hollands, all sorts of Cutlary and Haberdashery ware, and other goods, which will be sold cheap.

To be Lett

The Upper Part of the House wherein Hutchinson *and* Grimke *now keep their Store on the Bay, consisting of 4 very good Rooms, 2 large Garrets, with a Fire-place in one of them, a good Kitchin with 2 Rooms over it and a Store adjoyning thereto. In order to render it more convenient for a Family, they are willing to part with a back Parlour below Stairs. Any one having a mind to view the same, may enquire at their Store, or of* Ribton Hutchinson *in* Union-street.